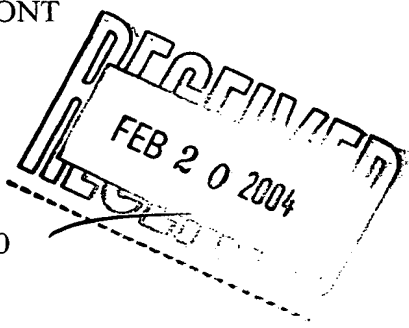




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RE: Application Serial No.: 09/618,550  
 Applicants: Tetsuo TANIGUCHI  
 Filing Date: July 17, 2000  
 For: EXPOSURE METHOD AND LITHOGRAPHY  
 SYSTEM, EXPOSURE APPARATUS AND METHOD  
 OF MAKING THE APPARATUS, AND METHOD OF  
 MANUFACTURING DEVICE  
 Group Art Unit: 2851 ✓  
 Examiner: NGUYEN, H.

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Attached hereto for filing are the following papers:

**REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (Three Months)**

Our check in the amount of \$950.00 is attached covering any required fees. In the event any variance exists between the amount enclosed and the Patent Office charges for filing the above-noted documents, including any fees required under 37 C.F.R 1.136 for any necessary Extension of Time to make the filing of the attached documents timely, please charge or credit the difference to our Deposit Account No. 15-0030. Further, if these papers are not considered timely filed, then a petition is hereby made under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 for the necessary extension of time. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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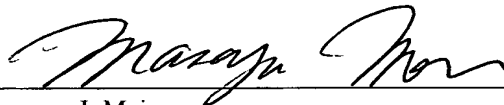
It is hereby requested that a **three** month extension of time be granted to February 8, 2004 for

- ☒ filing a continuation application in lieu of a response to the Official Action dated: August 8, 2003
- ☐ responding to the requirements in the Notice of Allowability dated:
- ☐ filing the Formal Drawings. The Issue Fee due has been timely filed.
- ☐ responding to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application dated:
- ☐ filing a Notice of Appeal. A timely response to the final rejection, due has been filed.
- ☐ filing an Appeal Brief. A Notice of Appeal was filed on:
- ☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Therefore, the fee amount shown below is reduced by one-half.

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